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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I oppose the recent petition submitted to the FCC by the US Telecom Association, representing AT&T and other incumbents as a threat to competitive carriers.

I enjoyed competitive carrier service while living in California, and I miss the choice to have competitive service now that I live in Florida.

Just as our entire economy, internet service needs competition. The Trump administration considers itself pro-business. That mean pro all business, not just national and international companies with the most political clout.

Note too that "competitive" means the US must compete with other advanced economies. This will not be possible with internet services costing many time those in competing countries.

Please deny this petition!

Thank you for considering this comment.

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